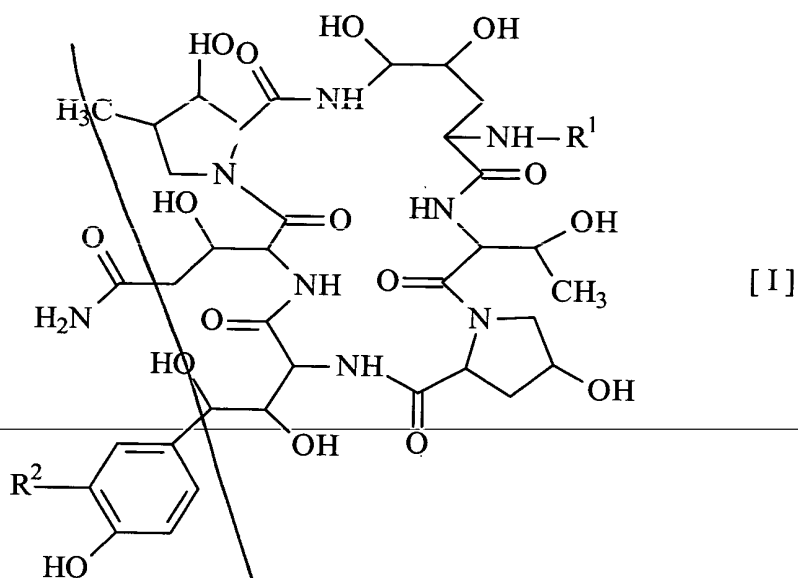


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wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperazinyl, wherein the piperazinyl is substituted with a substituent selected from the group consisting of:

piperidyl having cyclo(lower)alkyl,
 piperidyl having higher alkyl, and
 phenyl(lower)alkyl having lower alkoxy, and cyclo(lower)alkyl, wherein the cyclo(lower)alkyl may have cyclo(lower)alkyl or lower alkyl;

benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl is substituted with a substituent selected from the group consisting of:

phenyl having cyclo(lower)alkyloxy,
 phenyl having morpholinyl,
 phenyl having phenyl(lower)alkoxy,
 piperidyl having cyclo(lower)alkyl,

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piperidyl having higher alkyl,

phenyl(lower)alkyl having lower alkoxy, and cyclo(lower)alkyl, wherein the cyclo(lower)alkyl may have cyclo(lower)alkyl or lower alkyl;

benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl has hydroxy and optionally phenyl having lower alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with piperidyl which has phenyl having lower alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with thiadiazolyl, wherein the thiadiazolyl has a substituent selected from the group consisting of phenyl having pentyl, phenyl having hexyl, phenyl having methoxy, phenyl having butoxy, and phenyl having higher alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with phenyl which has phenyl having pentyloxy;

benzoyl substituted with 1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridyl which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with thienyl which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with furyl which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with piperazinyl (lower) alkyl which may have phenyl having cyclo(lower)alkyl;

benzoyl substituted with phenyl(lower)alkynyl which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy;

lower alkanoyl substituted with thiazolyl which may have phenyl having phenyl substituted with lower alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with imidazothiazolyl, wherein the imidazothiazolyl may have a suitable substituent selected from the group consisting of phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having phenyl substituted with lower alkoxy and phenyl having phenyl; and

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benzoyl substituted with isoxazolyl having halogen which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy; or

4-[5-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)isoxazol-3-yl]benzoyl; and

R² is hydroxy, hydroxysulfonyloxy or lower alkoxy, with the proviso that R² is not hydroxysulfonyloxy, when R¹ is 4-[5-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)isoxazol-3-yl]benzoyl, and a salt thereof.

19. (New) The compound of claim 18, wherein

R¹ is 4-[5-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)isoxazol-3-yl]benzoyl, and

R² is hydroxy or lower alkoxy.

20. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperazinyl, wherein the piperazinyl is substituted with piperidyl having cyclo(lower)alkyl.

21. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperazinyl, wherein the piperazinyl is substituted with piperidyl having higher alkyl.

22. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperazinyl, wherein the piperazinyl is substituted with piperidyl having lower alkoxy and cyclo(lower)alkyl, wherein the cyclo(lower)alkyl may have cyclo(lower)alkyl or lower alkyl.

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23. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl is substituted with phenyl having cyclo(lower)alkyloxy.

24. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl is substituted with phenyl having morpholinyl.

25. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl is substituted with phenyl having phenyl(lower)alkoxy.

26. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl is substituted with piperidyl having cyclo(lower)alkyl.

27. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl is substituted with piperidyl having higher alkyl.

28. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl is substituted with phenyl(lower)alkyl having lower alkoxy, and cyclo(lower)alkyl, wherein the cyclo(lower)alkyl may have cyclo(lower)alkyl or lower alkyl.

29. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

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R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl is substituted with benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl has hydroxy and optionally phenyl having lower alkoxy.

30. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

~~R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl is substituted with benzoyl substituted with piperidyl which has phenyl having lower alkoxy.~~

31. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

~~R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl is substituted with benzoyl substituted with thiadiazolyl, wherein the thiadiazolyl has a substituent selected from the group consisting of phenyl having pentyl, phenyl having hexyl, phenyl having methoxy, phenyl having butoxy, and phenyl having higher alkoxy.~~

32. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

~~R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl is substituted with benzoyl substituted with phenyl which has phenyl having pentyloxy.~~

33. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

~~R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl is substituted with benzoyl substituted with 1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridyl which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy.~~

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34. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl is substituted with benzoyl substituted with thienyl which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy.

35. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl is substituted with benzoyl-substituted with furyl which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy.

36. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl is substituted with benzoyl substituted with piperazinyl(lower)alkyl which may have phenyl having cyclo(lower)alkyl.

37. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl is substituted with benzoyl substituted with phenyl(lower)alkynyl which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy.

38. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl is substituted with lower alkanoyl substituted with thiazolyl which may have phenyl having phenyl substituted with lower alkoxy.

39. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

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R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl is substituted with benzoyl substituted with imidazothiazolyl, wherein the imidazothiazolyl may have a substituent selected from the group consisting of phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having phenyl substituted with lower alkoxy, and phenyl having phenyl.

40. (New) The compound of Claim 18, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl is substituted with benzoyl substituted with isoxazolyl having halogen which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy.

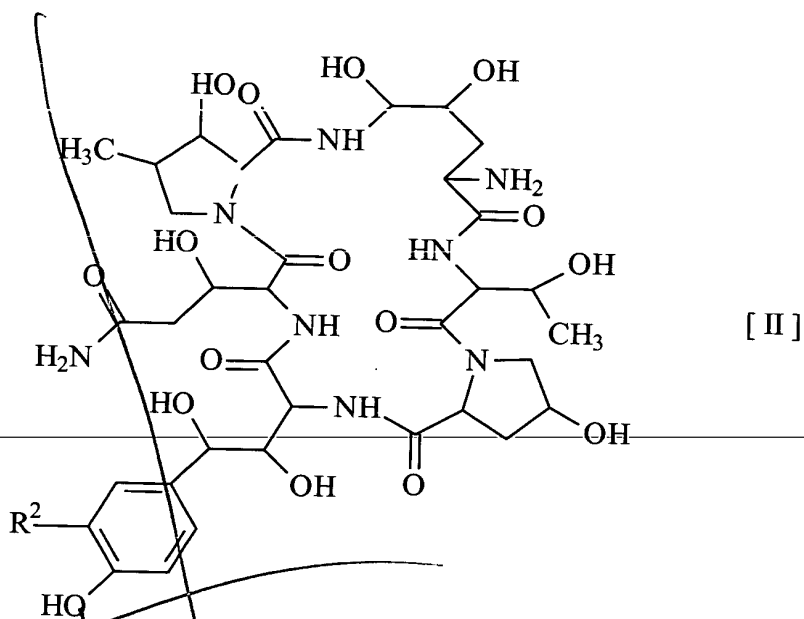
41. (New) A pharmaceutical composition which comprises, as an active ingredient, a compound of claim 18 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof in admixture with pharmaceutically acceptable carriers or excipients.

42. (New) A compound of claim 18 or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof for use as a medicament.

43. (New) A process for the preparing a polypeptide compound [I] of claim 18, which comprises

1) reacting a compound of the formula:

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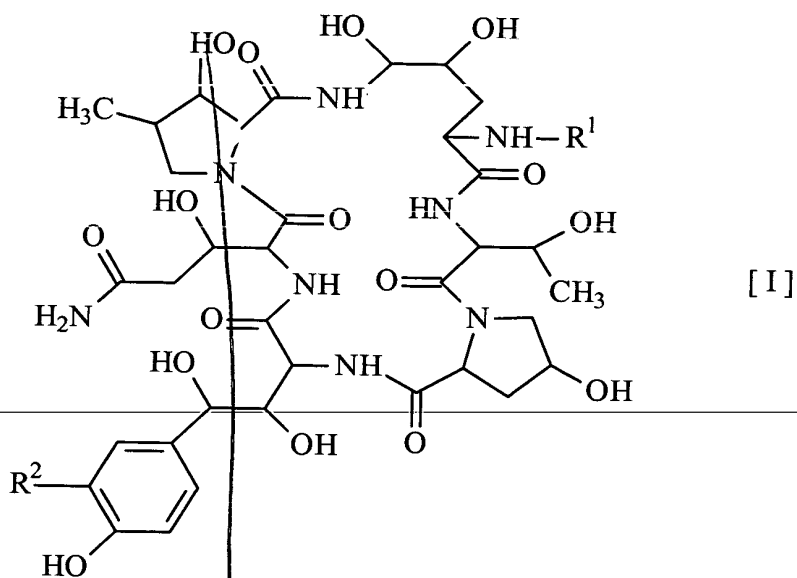


or its reactive derivative at the amino group or a salt thereof,
with a compound of the formula:



wherein R^1 and R^2 are defined in claim 18,
or its reactive derivative at the carboxy group or a salt thereof,
to give a compound [I] or the formula:

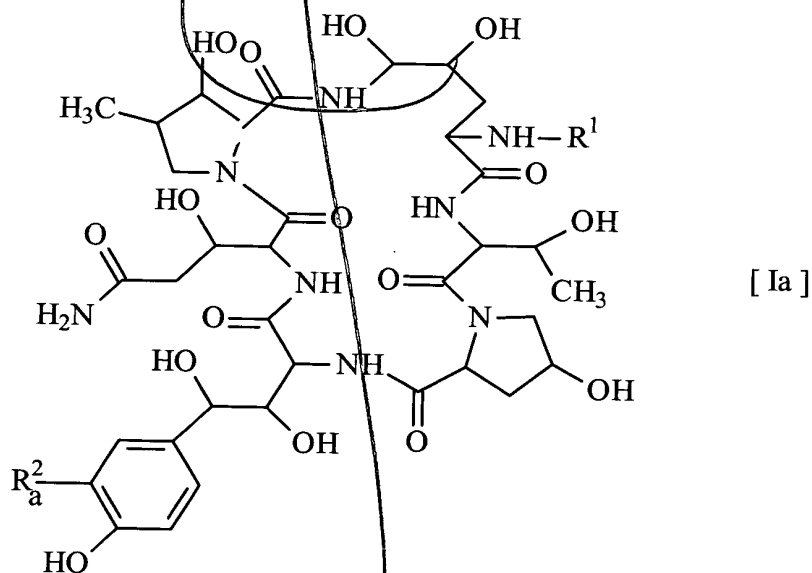
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wherein R^1 and R^2 are defined in claim 18,

or a salt thereof, or

2) subjecting a compound [Ia] of the formula:

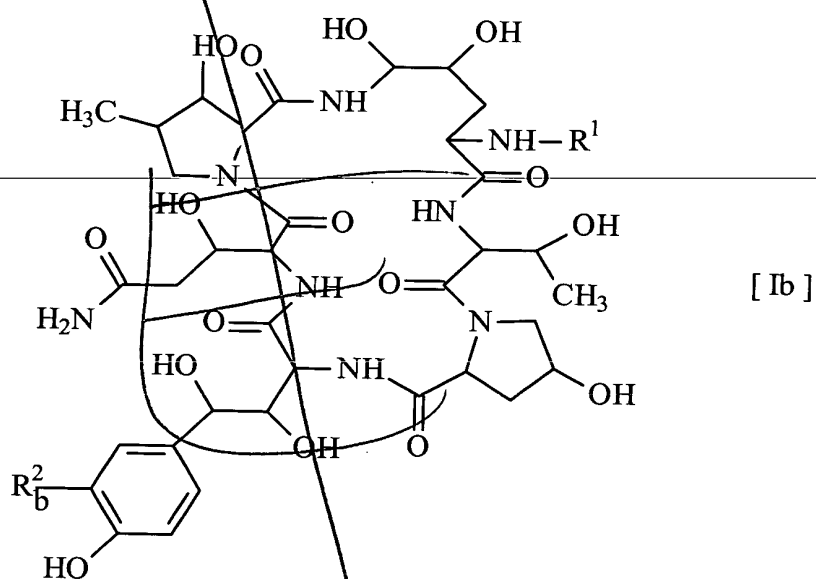


wherein R^1 is defined in claim 18,

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 R_a^2 is hydroxysulfonyloxy or a salt thereof,

to hydrolysis reaction of the sulfonic acid group, to give a compound [Ib] of the

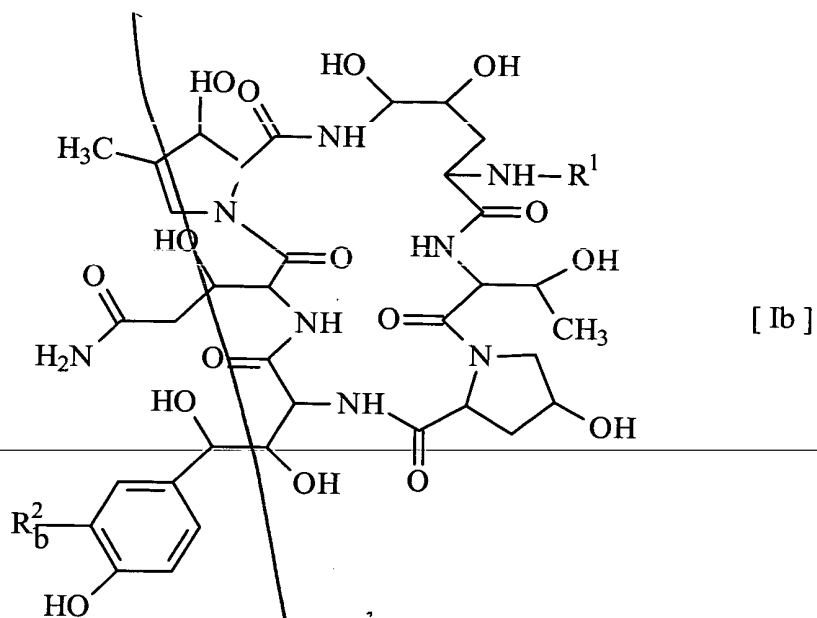
formula:



wherein R^1 is defined in claim 18, R_b^2 is hydroxy or a salt thereof, or

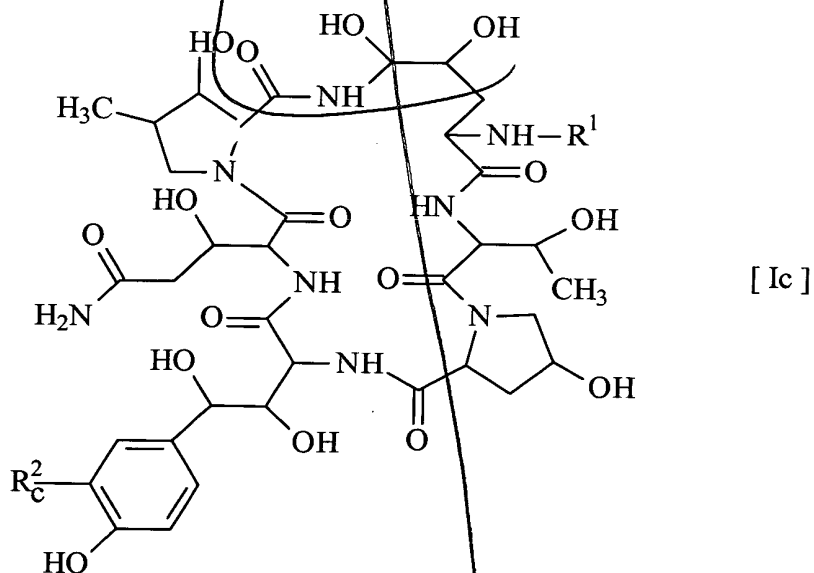
3) subjecting a compound [Ib] of the formula:

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wherein R^1 is defined in claim 18,

R_b^2 is hydroxy or its reactive derivative at the hydroxy group or a salt thereof,
to alkylation reaction of the hydroxy group, to give a compound [Ic] of the formula:



wherein R^1 is defined in claim 18,

R_c^2 is lower alkoxy or a salt thereof.

44. (New) A method for treating infectious diseases caused by pathogenic microorganisms comprising administering the compound of Claim 18 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof in an amount effective to treat the infectious disease to a human or animal.

45. (New) The method of Claim 44, wherein said pathogenic microorganism is of a genus selected from the group consisting of *Aspergillus*, *Cryptococcus*, *Candida*, *Mucor*, *Actinomyces*, *Histoplasma*, *Dermatophyte*, *Malassezia*, and *Fusarium*.

46. (New) The method of Claim 44, wherein said pathogenic microorganism is *Pneumocystis carinii*.

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